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### Have Prospectus For Coffeyville OPS Show

The prospectus and entry blank forms for the Oklahoma Philatelic Society convention and exhibition to be held October 15-16-17 have been mailed to all O. P. S. members and to others interested in exhibiting at this show.

It is being held in Coffeyville, Kan. in the 100th Territorial anniversary year of Kansas.

General chairman Leo A. McKee, 104 N. Elm St., Coffeyville, Kans. will supply the prospectus and other information.

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U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL DAG HAMMARSKJOLD appropriately enough was one of the recipients of the special souvenir album prepared by the Post Office Department for important personages on the occasion of the issuance of the 8c Liberty stamp. He is at the right above receiving his album from United States PMG Summerfield (center). Looking on is Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. permanent representative of the U. S. to the U.N.

—UN Photo

## Forestry Theme On Stamps Shows Use Of Wood, Paper Making, Conservation Aids

Berwyn B. Thomas

(Reprinted from "Pulp and Paper"—February 1954)

Photography—W. J. McCleary

### PART II

(Continued from last week)

**Uses or Wood.** The uses of wood which are shown on or suggested by postage stamps are almost innumerable. Primitive weapons, fuel, tools, and shelter were largely wooden (Fig. 4a, b), and many such uses continue today in modern forms. One of the largest uses of wood is for lumber in housing and other construction. Many wooden buildings have been shown on stamps, such as the recent United States commemorative picturing the old frame home at Oyster Bay, New York, of President Theodore Roosevelt. A Polish stamp shows the stark charred beams of a bombed-out building after the blitzkrieg of 1939, while Austria depicted wooden scaffolding in a reconstruction issue (Fig. 4c, d). House furnishings, also, are largely wooden (Fig. 4e).

Another major wood consuming field is the transportation and communication industries. In this field postage stamps have pictured wooden ships, stage coaches, covered wagons, early airplanes and gliders (Fig. 4f), railway ties, freight cars and wooden packing cases (Fig. 5a).

Several early wood-burning locomotives and ships have also ap-

peared (Fig. 5b). The electrical power, telephone, and telegraph systems, which tie the earth together with their pole-borne wires, (Continued on page 7)



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## Man Who Put Camera In Nearly Every Home Merits Philatelic Honors July 12

He didn't invent the camera, or the process of photography, but George Eastman was very much responsible for making both something within the means and manipulation of the average man, his wife and children. For his memorable part in developing a new industry and a usable tool for art, business and pleasure, the Post Office Department is going to issue a commemorative stamp in his honor on July 12 at Rochester, N. Y. It will be the 100th anniversary of his birth. Eastman popularized photography much as Henry Ford brought his rugged and dependable "tin lizzies" within the realm of the average family's pocketbook.

In announcing the stamp, the Post Office Department issued the following bulletin:

"Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield announced the description of the 3c stamp being issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of George Eastman, which will be first placed on sale at Rochester, N. Y. on July 12. Eastman was born at Waterville, New York, but left there at an early age and went to Rochester where he gained fame as an inventor and philanthropist.

Postage. Arranged in two lines to the left of the portrait is the wording George Eastman and in the lower left corner is the denomination 3c. All lettering is in white face Gothic.

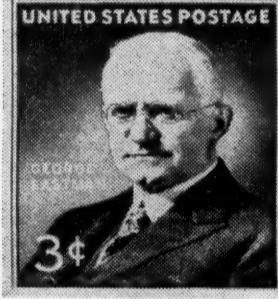
"Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of this stamp may send a reasonable number of addressed envelopes to the Postmaster at Rochester, N. Y. with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either sealed or turned in. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed First Day Covers."

Eastman was born in Waterville, N. Y. on July 12, 1854 but received his education and resided in the designated first day city, Rochester.

Eastman perfected a process for making sensitive gelatin dry plates and invented a plate-coating machine in 1880. Four years later he patented the first successful rollable film, and in 1888 perfected the first "Kodak".

In 1890 he obtained a patent for the first machine for manufacturing transparent film rolls. He became treasurer and general manager of the Eastman Kodak Co., the manufacturing and distributing plant in Rochester, managing director of the Kodak Co., Ltd. of London, England, and president of the Eastman Kodak Co. of New Jersey.

1900 saw him made a chevalier of the Legion of Honor by France. Eastman died March 14, 1932 by his own hand having been greatly depressed because of an incurable ailment.



UNITED STATES POSTAGE

3¢

"The stamp will be 0.85 by 0.98 of an inch in dimension, arranged vertically with a double outline frame, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated, and issued in sheets of 70. The color of the stamp will be announced later. The printing of 119,000 George Eastman stamps has been authorized.

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## Philippine Show Claimed Success

Ernest A. Kehr

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In the Philippine section, which was naturally featured, Don Jesus Cacho, veteran collector easily walked off with the majority of gold medals, for his collection embraces Filipino issues of every kind.

Don Jesus is one of the great fortunates. A man of means, he long ago was able to amass not only all regular issues, but examples of virtually every rarity and minor variety. Even before the war his albums were among the best in the world.

During the Japanese occupation the palatial home of Don Jesus was occupied by a general, and while the Japs methodically looted collections, the Cacho hoard escaped. Don Jesus had built a steel vault between the walls of two rooms, and though other portions of the house were minutely examined the stamp vault never was detected.

When the liberation was in progress, Don Jesus slipped the collections out of Manila and buried them in Baguio's mountains to protect them from the intensive shelling as the Americans drove the Japs from the islands. This fortunate action saved the stamps, though the moisture during both the occupation and the burial later, did leave its marks to detract from the condition of the rarities.

The American entries swept the rest of the field, for again the local collectors and such entrants from other nearby countries, simply didn't have the rarities to put up much competition.

Although Francis Cardinal Spellman's entry was "non-competitive," the committee decided to award him a gold medal as an "award of honor." A silver medal was given to the National Philatelic Museum's entry of Siam, while bronze medals were given as awards of honor to the E. A. Wright Bank Note Company's entry of original drawings for Indonesian issues, and to the United Nations Postal Administration, which also entered non-competitive. The writer was given a similar gold medal for his Egyptian rarities.

In addition to the announced prizes, the American Philatelic Society offered a "Certificate of Award," for the first time, to an international show. The jury decided it should be given to Pablo M. Esperidion, in recognition for his long years of service in promoting international goodwill through philatelic writing at home and abroad.

The exhibition also sponsored an essay contest for philatelic articles on some phase of Philippine philately. Winners in this event were: Arnold Warren, Gig Harbor, Wash., gold, for "The Monetary Units which express the denomination of Philippine stamps"; Emilio del Prado, Rizal, silver, for "Compendium of Philippine Stamps, 1854-1870," and Floro J. Policarpio, Manila, bronze, for "Meter Mail of the Philippines."

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## Gibbons List Now Has Hawaiians

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Stanley Gibbons Inc. has specialized in Hawaiian issues for many years. Now, for the first time, the forthcoming Second Edition 1954 of their pricelist (expected to be released in the early part of June) will include Hawaii. The reason for this is the ever increasing interest in these stamps, with the great probability of Hawaii becoming a state.

A copy of this new list is 10¢ from Stanley Gibbons Inc., 38 Park Row, New York 38, N.Y. Ask specifically for the Second Edition 1954.

Incidentally, the illustrated booklet on Hawaiian issues (50¢) is a fine guide for Hawaii. Besides the regular postage stamps with information about quantities printed etc., it also illustrates revenues and railroad stamps.

## Insect Slogan At These Offices

S. W. Frost, head of the Department of Zoology and Entomology of Pennsylvania State College, has submitted a list of the cities throughout the United States which are using the slogan "FIGHT YOUR INSECT ENEMIES". Mr. Frost helped in having this item placed in use throughout the country this year.

To get an impression of the slogan, postal cards or envelopes can be used. Both must bear a name and address, the envelope must carry 3¢ postage and include a staffer. These are to be sent to the post office where the slogan is wanted with a request to the postmaster that it be applied.

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BAHRAIN. The first major error in the new Queen Elizabeth Stamps is on the 1/2 penny orange overprinted stamp on which the 1/2 is omitted. This is probably a rare item as a large London firm advertises this item mint, at 65 Pounds (\$182.00).

ELIZABETH CATALOGUE. Due to the popularity of the stamps of Queen Elizabeth, many collectors are starting a collection of these stamps. Satisfactory guidance can be obtained from the new Commonwealth Catalogue of Queen Elizabeth stamps, which will soon be available and at a low price. Based on the excellence of the existing Commonwealth Catalogues you can expect to find everything you may want to know about these stamps, which will probably be as popular as the George VI issues.

SEYCHELLES. The 1896 surcharged stamp No. 27, (18c on 45c) is priced by Scott at \$1.25 and Gibbons price is 12/6 (\$1.75). With double surcharge the price in Scott's Catalogue is \$60.00 and in Gibbons the price is 40 Pounds (\$12.00).

At a recent London auction sale, a mint copy described as slightly thin and with one perforation missing, sold for 23 Pounds (\$64.60). What is a perfect copy worth?

CYPRUS. The 2 1/2c stamp No. 148 is quite scarce and difficult to locate here in the U. S. This stamp is priced by Scott at \$1.75 and the price in Gibbons is 2/9 (40c). Either the Scott price is too high or the others too low. This is a good buy if obtainable in England based on the catalogue prices 1/2c.

SAMOA. The Stevenson commemorative set 181-184 is hardening in price. Shortly after being issued, there was a substantial increase and this set remained at the high level since. The stamps of New Zealand and its dependencies are increasing in popularity and it appears that this set should have an upward trend as the supplies are not too plentiful.

AUSTRALIA. While all of the 1953-1954 Royal Visit stamps look good, it seems that eventually the Australia set should be the best of them.

GREAT BRITAIN. The King

George VI low value stamps with watermark sideways look attractive. These stamps were prepared for use in vending machines and some are quite scarce. Most of the recently issued stamps can be obtained at a low

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## A Misunderstanding

When we wrote our editorial about the British Philatelic Association buying the Sperati material for our issue of May 3, we racked our mind for a suitable heading and used a phrase that we know is even older than we are for it has been a familiar saying since long before our childhood. Our object in again calling attention to this editorial is because it has apparently been misunderstood by several of our readers and we believe that an explanation will show these people that this heading was used without any feeling on our part concerning those who might take offense at it. Editors can best judge their own work by the number of letters either pro or con that they receive and this instance is one in which more than the usual number of letters has come to our office. We are always glad to have any letters commenting on what we have to say and usually answer each letter except when someone may fail to sign their name, such letters go into the waste paper basket. However all letters in this instance were signed and we have been very interested in what they reveal. We have not replied to them individually but hope that this editorial will show to these people that our use of the phrase in question was without malice and that we have no feeling about colored folks that would cause us to intentionally use the phrase.



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people that our use of the phrase in question was without malice and that we have no feeling about colored folks that would cause us to intentionally use the phrase.

The real meaning of the phrase as is well known to those who are most familiar with it and know it from many years back is simply that in any event concerned, to which it is applied, it simply infers there is something questionable or underhanded in the matter under discussion.

Another old time phrase which has exactly the same meaning and which might have been used in place of the one we did use is "There is Something Rotten in Denmark." Now this phrase does not mean literally that there is some thing in Denmark which is rotten. It merely infers that in the matter under discussion, there is some questionable or underhanded motive.

That is just what we intended to convey by the use of the phrase, A Nigger in the Wood Pile. We have known this old saying since childhood and have never once known it to be used with any racial connection.

We feel that those who have voiced objection to us, do so without an understanding of the origin or use of this old American saying.

It should be recognized that we lived in the north for 70 years, where racial feeling has never been such as it is in the south. We are now living in the south. We are in almost daily contact with more colored folks than ever before. We are learning to know

Our edition of June 28 will be sponsored by the Booklet Pane Society. The reading matter will for the most part be devoted to the understanding and collection of stamps issued in booklet form. Dealers who have stocks of these might want to advertise them at that time. Deadline for copy is June 16. It can be sent in prior to that date — it will be held if marked. "For the Booklet Pane Special".

them better and understand them better. We have a deep respect for people of any race so long as they can act like a lady or a gentleman. Never in our conversation when it has been necessary to refer to the black race have we ever used the word nigger or not even the word they prefer, Negro, but we have always referred to them as colored folks.

## For Floridians Only

We have close to 800 of you on our subscription list and this is a special invitation from us as well as from the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs for you to come to their big Jamboree which is to be held at Sebring, Florida on June 12th and 13th. All collectors are welcome whether a member of any stamp club in Florida or otherwise. There will be a small exhibit of selected pages from various collections as well as from the novice group, a bourse, an auction and other entertainment.

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Society Honors  
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The Philatelic Research Society of Oakland, at its yearly meeting on May 6, voted unanimously to bestow Honorary Membership on Dr. W. I. Mitchell of Berkeley, Calif.

From the very inception of the Philatelic Research Society, Dr. Mitchell has shown by his generous donations of literature and his affiliation as a charter member that his active interest in the advancement of philatelic knowledge has never dimmed although he is now in his 77th year.

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## Brazil Stamp To Honor Homeopathy

Word from Brazil via Dr. Amaro Azevedo, former presidential physician and president of the Pan American Homeopathic Medical Congress, is to the effect that his country will issue a commem in October for the session of the group in Rio de Janeiro October 2 to 13.

It will bear the portrait of Dr. Samuel C. Hahnemann, "Father of Homeopathy".

For the April 11, 1955 meeting of the Congress in Washington a commemorative is being asked of the United States Post Office Department.

## 1954 STAMP PROGRAM

June 24—Regular Postage 3c, Albany, N. Y. (100 per pane).  
July 12—George Eastman 3c, Rochester, N. Y. (70 per pane, 119 million).

July 28—Lewis &amp; Clark 3c, Sioux City, Iowa.

## ALREADY ISSUED

1029—Columbia University 3c, New York, N. Y. January 4.  
1038—Liberty 8c, Washington, D. C. April 9.No. ?—Nebraska 3c, Nebraska City, Nebr., May 7.  
No. ?—Kansas 3c, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., May 31.

## CANADA

June 10—Regular Postage 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 6c, Ottawa, Canada.

## UNITED NATIONS

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Some of them there stamp collectin' people down in New Orleans are sayin' bad words about the Post Office Department right out loud. One of the faithful went so far as to write, "In New Orleans, we have a situation on hand which got my Yankee blood boiling (it's legal—he was born in Pennsylvania) and has caused the Rebels to give off repeatedly with their famous yell."

So what is causing the boiling and yelling?

Seems as though quite a quantity of the 8c bi-colored Liberty stamp has been sent to New Orleans with the plate number blocks removed from each pane. The horror of it all!

They, in the sunny south, like their plate blocks even as you and you and you. And they like to get them across the counter at their local post office without having to pay an additional divvy for 16 or 46 stamps like at the Philatelic Agency in Washington.

This isn't the first time such a situation has come about. I remember the furore back in 1948 when the same thing happened in connection with the 5c New York airmail commem. At that time POD officials advised that the sheets had been denuded of the plate blocks to fill requirements at the Agency—and that's probably what has happened with the New Orleans batch.

No doubt other cities will have plate-blockless Liberties. Don't know much what can be done about it—the Department isn't going to burn up a lot of perfectly good stamps because the plates are taken out—the stamps were printed for postage purposes—remember?

1. Since the original series of Famous Americans in 1940, other commems of this nature have been issued. Which is the most recent? 2. What plants are in the left side of the design of the California Statehood commem of 1950?

Several weeks ago I was pleased to give a boost to the "Postage Stamp Design" book published by the National Philatelic Museum of Philadelphia in connection with the Design Exhibition there. A mistake as to price was involved which the Museum people caught after the review copies had been sent out, and of which one came here. Commenting on this, Gustave A. von Gross, curator, writes, "We appreciate very much the publicity you have given our POSTAGE STAMP DESIGN book in your paper. Judging from the orders we are receiving it has had quite an influence on your readers. However, the price of the book should have been \$3.00. This error also appeared in the first copies of the book rushed here for the exhibition, but most copies were changed."

At three bucks, it's still a good readable book on the subject of postage stamp design and plate preparation.

The May 18 Postal Bulletin had the following note which might be of some interest. It read:

"Effective June 1, 1954 an international airmail postage rate of 10c each will be established for single postal cards destined for delivery in other countries. The new rate will not affect the existing airmail rates of 4c each for cards addressed for delivery in Canada and Mexico, or 8c each for cards addressed for delivery in Cuba and St. Pierre and Miquelon.

"An international airmail postal card will not be issued by the Post Office Department at this time. The 4c domestic airmail or international surface postal card may be used by affixing 6c postage, or a commercial picture postal card may be used by affixing 10c postage.

"Post cards for transmission in the international air service must have affixed on the address side the blue 'Par Avion by Air Mail' label, or in lieu thereof the endorsement 'Par Avion.'

A 10c fee to send a postal card to foreign lands by airmail isn't much of a bargain. There is no privacy, and you can't write much on it. In comparison the real buy is the air letter, or the aerogramme.

as it is now named. You have space of room on which to write, you can seal your message away from other eyes, and it only costs 10c.

Now flying a postal card at 7c would be about right.

Ken Chotiner of Los Angeles writes that in the May 18 edition of LOOK Magazine the John Hancock Life Insurance Co. had an ad which could be used with the mounting of stamps and covers of the forthcoming Lewis and Clark commem. Look on page nine.

How thorough the possibilities have been explored by any one, I do not know, but it seems that there are enough "College" cancellations now current to make up a tidy collection—you could include a view of the college or university, too, on your album page.

Royce Robertson of Gardena, Calif. brought up the matter when he sent information about the mail mill at El Camino College. It isn't much of a post office compared to those at Chicago or New York, it's only 5½ feet wide by 3 feet deep, but it does about everything its more affluent relatives do except handle C.O.D.

It is located in the Campus Center Bldg. along with the book store.

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**NEW 8c BUREAUS**

It seems doubtful if the bi-colored 8c stamp will or can be Bureau Printed. The revised presses probably are not so arranged that the precancelling device can be attached as in normal rotary printing. There seems no reason though that the newly announced 3c should not be precancelled at the Bureau.

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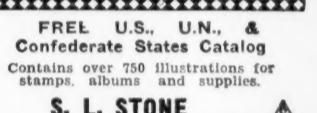
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**PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR HONORED.** During the one-week Pan-American exhibition at the National Philatelic Museum, Philadelphia a memorial citation was presented to Don Fernando Berckemeyer, right, by Bernard Davis, second from left, museum director. It recognized various courtesies extended delegations to Peru in recent years. Others in the picture are Harry M. Buten, left, and Mrs. Frieda Bulger.



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Congratulations to Fritz Billig upon the appearance of Volume XX of his remarkable Philatelic Handbook series. Coming from Vienna, where he was a prominent dealer in the 30's, Mr. Billig felt the lack of such reference volumes, to which Europeans are accustomed, here in the USA, and struck out on his own to produce them. The work has gone on now for not quite 20 years and there has been a new one every 10 months or so. Beautifully printed by the Stowell Company, the philatelic printers of Federalsburg, Md., the set is one any collector and club can well be proud of. The early volumes have been reprinted so the whole set is still available book by book if one wants it.

Collectors often puzzle over the layout — a section on USA cancellations in almost every volume, foreign postal stationery in most of them, etc. They naively ask, "Why not all USA postmark data in one volume, all the postal stationery material in another, etc?" The reason is simple — no such work would pay for itself. However, by including information of interest to 20 or 30 groups in each of the volumes, enough buy the work ultimately to repay publication costs.

No other method of production is commercially feasible here for, perversely enough, collectors who

spend hundreds of dollars on a stamp won't spend a dollar on a specialist book in the field with

data on forgeries, scarce varieties, etc. A philatelic publisher is lucky if he breaks even on an edition in

several years and Mr. Billig's long hours in editorial work, photographing specimens, etc. have been

entirely a labor of love.

We American collectors certainly owe him a hearty vote of thanks for having placed all this specialist information before us. No doubt, a decade or two from now, when these books are out of print, they'll

bring \$25-\$30 a copy — that's the way it always goes.

We're all familiar with the "Buy-Bid" USA quotation bulletins published here in America. There's a similar "Colonial Market Quotations" published by Harry Gaffen of Bristol, England. It comes out monthly at 5 shillings (about 75c) a year, runs 10 to 12 pages per issue and lists both buying and selling propositions covering the British Commonwealth-Empire. The Catalog numbers used are, of course, Gibbons ones. Mr. Gaffen, incidentally, has long specialized in USA stamp wholesale and retail, and publishes a monthly newsletter on USA material passing through his hands.

Most everyone knows that H. E. Harris and Co. of Boston, founded some 35 years ago by schoolboy Henry Ellis Harris of Baltimore, is today the world's largest wholesale house. The firm's buying ads are encountered in stamp papers, missionary journals and the like the world over for, to sell, you have to buy. The House of Harris is famous for its high ethical standards and its positive refusal to stock questionable issues no matter how profitable the venture might be. Nor has the firm ever sponsored or manipulated the issues of backward countries, securing exclusive distribution rights, a lot of imperforates and printers waste, etc.

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## NORTH DAKOTA

39th State, admitted to the union November 2, 1889. Area, 70,665 sq. miles—Population 641,935—Capital City, Bismarck.

North Dakota was explored by Lewis and Clark in 1793. It now produces a variety of products — timber, lignite, antimony, wheat, barley, oats and hogs.

## SOUTH DAKOTA

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Note—Back in 1939, we were not yet quite so wasteful of the public's money—and when it came time to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Statehood of four of our Western states, we did it with this one stamp—which has become lovingly known by the collectors as "Mother's Monday morning washline" — real appropriate, isn't it?

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## Vatican Ups Marian Year Set To Six

The release of the set to mark the Marian Year by Vatican City has been postponed from a May to an early June release date. Supposed reason for the delay, cites William Wonneberger, Jr., president of the Vatican Philatelic Society, is the fact that six stamps will comprise the set instead of the originally planned two.

Denominations are to be 3, 4, 6, 12, 20 and 35 Lire.

He is of the opinion that the commemoratives for the canonization of Pope Pius X will be three in number with a face value of approximately 120 to 140 Lire.

## Lancaster Juniors Elect First Officers

The Lancaster, Ohio Junior Stamp Club, sponsored by the adult Fairfield County Philatelic Club, have organized to the extent that officers were recently elected. These are president Fritz Veidt; vice president Porter Miller; secretary Jeff Harrison; treasurer Chris Veidt.

The club meets regularly the first Friday of the month in the upstairs Sunday school rooms of the St. John's Episcopal Church at 7 p.m.

Albert E. Savoy and Richard M. Needham, senior club president and secretary respectively, are the adult advisers.

## Slogans To Break All Records In 1954

A previous report from the U. S. Postal Cancellation Society indicated that 128 postal slogan cancels were used in 1953. Additional information has increased this figure to 135.

As of May 30, 1954, 111 different slogans have already been used. This figure includes 42 slogans carried over from 1953 and 69 new ones issued in 1954.

Of the 42 1953 slogans, 39 had been used in previous years and only three were first issued in 1953 and only used for one or two days in 1954.

Approximately nine previously used slogans and 12 new slogans are further scheduled for use in 1954. These are not included in the above figures.

## Dealer Doings

Popular Switzerland is priced mint and used in a new list issued by Eugene Halterman, MC-53, Mahoning Ext., Warren, Ohio. It is sent without cost to those mentioning Linn's. Included are the postage issues from 1881 on, all the semipostals, the airmails, postage dues, officials and franchise stamps. The firm also has Swiss and other first day covers.

There are all kinds of stamp mixtures at all kinds of prices — it generally depends on how much one wants to pay for the requisite quality. Harvey Dolin & Co., 31 Park Row, New York 38, N. Y. now has a list of United States mixtures on paper which will be sent free to requests mentioning Linn's. It is called the "20th Anniversary Mixture List".

The Kitte Bunka Philatelic Society through Riichi Yoshida, 3-3600 Mejiro, Toshima-ku, Tokyo, Japan is offering a special first day cover bearing the 1954 Free Style Wrestling Championships commem at 30c each. Unaddressed cacheted covers with the special cancellation will be sent by air to purchasers. The first day of the new stamp was May 22.

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There's a good chance that plate numbers missing from the collection can be filled in by the Ansonia Stamp Co., Box 371, Tuckahoe, N. Y. The firm has just made what it claims is a "terrific buy" in plate blocks ranging from the Pilgrim commemoratives to date. Their ad appears in this edition of Linn's. Supplies of some of the blocks are quite limited.

Effective immediately, the Yale Stamp and Cover Co. is the name under which the former Yale Stamp Co., 105 Lowin Ave., New Haven 15, Conn. will operate. The company specializes in first day covers a stock of which "goes way back". United States and General foreign stamps are widely represented in the stock of the company. When writing mention Linn's.

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June 7—Flatbush Philatelic Club, Flatbush Unitarian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.

June 12-13—Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs, Harder Hall Hotel, Sebring, Fla. Sebring Stamp Club, hosts.

June 13—Topical Philatelist, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York. Hours 1 to 5 p. m.

June 18—Medway Philatelic Association, West Medway Public Library, West Medway, Mass.

June 18-20—American Topical Assn., Miami Hotel, Dayton, Ohio. Dayton Philatelic Society hosts.

Sept. 15-18—American Cancellation Club Exhibition and Convention, Municipal Auditorium, Long Beach, Calif. Long Beach Stamp Club, hosts.

Aug. 26-29—CHISPA, Society of Philatelic Americans Convention, Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Chicago Philatelic Society, hosts.

Sept. 15-18—American Philatelic Society Convention, Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.

Sept. 25-26—Mahoning Valley Stamp Club, Butler Art Institute, Youngstown, Ohio.

Oct. 15-17—10th SESCAL, Elks Club, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Someone Slipped In An Upside Down "2"

Shown herewith is the picture of a Spanish regular stamp of the 25c denomination listed in the Scott Catalog as No. 761, type A195, the standing Franco. Production was by lithography.



In the tablet of value, the "2" of the "25" is shown inverted. We have not had the opportunity to examine the stamp itself for indications of being a "manufactured" item. If it is genuine, it is a remarkable "faux pas" on the part of the printers, the Spanish Mint Printery.

The stamp is in the possession of one of the stamp collecting students of Mount St. Charles Academy, Woonsocket, R. I.

## Milne President Of Lockheed Club

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ARGENTINA — The centenary of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange will be commemorated sometime in July with the release of a \$1 stamp. No information regarding colors or designs has as yet been received.

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HUNGARY — The Hungarian Ministry of Posts has advised that on May 1 two stamps were issued for May Day. A 40f olive stamp features a May Pole and a 60f orange pictures a man with a flag.

IFNI — Eleven stamps, of three different designs, have been issued for this colony. Pictured on the 5c orange, 35c olive green and 1p light buff, is a Sea-bird in flight; pictured on the 10c light olive, 40c violet, 1.25p carmine and 4.50p is a single blossom of the Native Cactus; three clusters of buds of the Native Cactus is featured on the 25c maroon, 60c dark brown, 2p deep blue and 5p black.

IRELAND — In commemoration of the Marian Year, two stamps, both of the same design were issued on May 24. The design features

tures a reproduction of the Della Robbia Madonna and Child. "Annus Marianus 1953-1954" appears at the top of the stamp. Values and colors are: 3 pence blue and 5 pence green.

JUGOSLAVIA — The Jugoslavian Stamp Agency, Jugofilatelija, has announced that during June twelve bi-colored stamps, featuring animals, will be issued. Values and designs are to be: 2d squirrel; 5d lynx; 10d red deer; 15d bear; 17d chamois; 25d pelican; 30d bearded eagle; 35d procerus gigas; 50d calimenes pancici; 65d dalmatian lizard; 70d proteus anguineus, and 100d trout.

## Catalogue Handles Israel Interims

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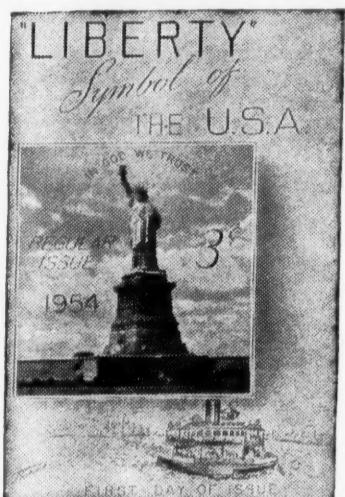
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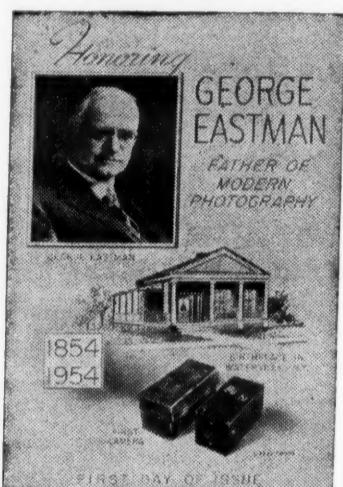


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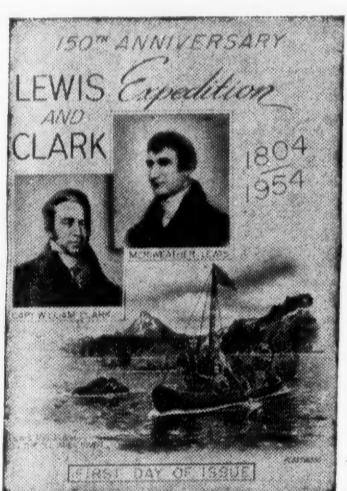


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